FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL.

MONDAY, Dec. 21-6 P. M. Wall street, albelt used to surprises more or less startling and blood with sensations, was moved to the wildest excitement this morning by the followag annoucement which appeared in the advertising

columns of the Herald.

At a meeting of the directors of the New York Fentral Railroad company, held on the 19th day of Recember, 1868, the following resolutions were

lecember, isos, the following resolutions were passed:—

Whereas this company has hitherto expended of his earnings for the purpose of constructing and guipping its road, and in the purchase of reaf istate and other properties, with a view to the inprease of its traile, moneys equal in amount to eighty per cent of the company; and whereas the several stockholders of the company are entitled to evidence of such expenditure, and to relimbursement of the same at some convenent future period, now, therefore,

Resolved, That a certificate, signed by the President and treasurer of this company, be issued to the stockholders severally, declaring that such tookholder is enabled to eighty per cent of the amount of the capital stock held by him, payable fatably with the other certificates issued under this resolution, at the option of the company, out of its nature earnings, with dividends thereon, at the same lates and times as dividends thereon, at the same lates and times as dividends that be paid on the shares of the capital stock of the company; and that such certificates inay be, at the option of the company, convertible into stock of the company, whenever the company shall be authorized to increase its capital stock to an amount sufficient for such conversion.

Resolved, That such certificates be delivered to the

Conversion.
Resolved, That such certificates be delivered to the stockholders of this company at the Union Trust Dompany, in the pay of New York, on the presentation of their several certificates of stock, and that the receipt of the certificate provided for in these resolutions small be endorsed on the stock certificate.

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Resolved, That a dividend of four per cent, free of government tax, is hereby declared, payable on the south day of February next, upon the stock of this company, and also upon the interest certificates of the company this day authorized.

The interest certificates authorized by said resolutions will be issued to the several stockholders entitled thereto at the office of the Union Trust Company, in the city of New York, where the same will be ready for delivery on the presentation of the stock tertificates. Anticipations had been indulged in some weeks

ago of the declaration of a dividend by the New York Central directors upon the occasion of their annual meeting in Albany and the election of a new board; at no such action having been thus taken, after ome little disappointment the matter was appa-ently forgotten, and the stock, which had previously figure, the street philosophically regarding the omise and a surance, thus contradicted, as but ne of the many speculative ruses so frequently valled of in jobbing operations. It appears now frection towards the establishment of a through runk line to the West under their control Great Western Railway was only a part, the ase of other and connecting lines, aiready consum-asted or in contemplation, forming additional sek similar privileges, in order not to be and in competing for the immense trame sought to e secured. With this view it became important hat the differences which existed between the roads ontrolled by Commodore Vanderbilt and connectlines should be adjusted, and terms of mpromise having been arranged, as a means of ving *colat* to the matter, and it may be, aiding in Its satisfactory conclusion, it was decided to make a distribution of the surplus earnings of the Central road, which was accordingly done in the manner

The exact terms of the convention entered into by modore Vanderbilt and the Western managers ave not yet been made public, but they are said to colude an arrangement whereby the right of the Western men to establish rates of freight-which the Central, Harlem and Hudson River will pro rate is charges and insuring full connections to Chicago, giving Mr. Vanderout a commanding influence in the atest for proponderance in the railroad interests of the country long in progress between him and the Erie party, besides securing to New York much of

the traffic now diverted to other points.

The meeting of the New York Central directors is said to have been need late on Saturday night; but, however that may have been, the matter was kept profoundly secret, and only those in the ring had any onsequence was but little of the stock was in ather hands, and when the market opened this morning the price, which had closed on Saturday night at 135% to 134, sustained a sharp andvance to 165. It,

however, declined soon to 161 and subsequently exhibited the following fluctuations:—161, 162, 259, 156, 157, 155, 154, 152, 152%, 156, 157, 258%, 154, 153, 151, 152, 150%. At the first open board the first sales were made at 151%, and others as folnd 151%, the stock closing at 151% a 152. Between this board and the first regular board, on the report that legal proceedings were instituted to prevent the sue of the scrip dividend, extensively circulated by the "shorts," who were in despair, the price broke to 246%, but on their attempting to "cover" railled again to 151%, and was quoted at the close of the Birst regular board at 151 a 151%. The great-est excitement was exhibited both in the boards and on the street, and the price of stock rose and fell like the waves of a troubled sea, changing as rapidly. At the second open board it was quoted at 164% a 154%, while at the same time, under the bear pressure exerted upon it in the street, it fell to 151, and subsequently to 150% a 150%, closing in the last regular board at 150% a 151%, and, the excitement somewhat subsiding, continuing within that margin until near the close of the Long Room, when It again advanced, and finally closed on the street, at a quarter to six o'clock, at 154% bid, the last sale being at 154.

Application was early made at the office of the Union Trust Company for the certificates, it being apprehended that an injunction would be sued out to restrain their delivery. It will be borne in mind that the directors are already enjoined against issuing any additional stock, and the present issue of scrip is regarded in some quarters as equivalent to an evasion of this injunction. It is, however, stated that another injunction enjoining the issue of nard; but we could not learn that it had been served. We learn that some fourteen millions of stock has already been presented, upon which such certificates

impossible to determine. The suddenness of the announcement of the dividend of course had its effect to-day in causing the very considerable advance and the excitement thereby occasioned in justaining it. Early in the day the open Board of officers to confer with the regular board in regard to calling the stock ex dividend. When this is done, in a comprehension of the virtual heavy watering of the stock which the addition of scrip to the amount of 80 per cent, presumptively conver-tible at no distant day, is quite as sudden a decline below Saturday's price as the advance has been, is not beyond the range of possibility; while the prospect of protracted litiga-tion, à la Erie, presented in the injunction said to have been issued on the application of Isaac N. Zenks, returnable December 29, renders any proghostication regarding it exceeding difficult. Failcaught "short" this morning, and compelled to deliver, but none of any considerable house; while nu-merous parties who had the inside track, and others who were fortunately "long," realized large sums, one of our largest capitalists, who counts his income by millions, having, it is said, added another million to his bank surplus.

Money was active to-day, without, however, any stringency. Early in the day call loans were freely made at seven per cent currency, and leading houses could obtain funds at that figure up to the close of business. Late in the day, however, the market worked a degree closer, and small borrowers were obliged to pay in instances as high as seven, gold. It is said that the parties who have managed this Central coup provided some considerable funds against the existing stringency. This is pro-bably the source of the relief the market on Saturday afternoon, and was furnished in view of this morning's operations. Commercial paper was dull, except dry goods, discounts for which ranged from 7 to 8 per cent for prime names. Foreign exchange was very active

and higher, responsively to the advance in the gold premium, on the basis of prime bankers' sixty days, 109%; short sight, 110%. We quote:—Sterling, sixty days, commercial, 108% a 109%; bankers', 109% a 109%; short sight, 110% a 110%; Paris, sixty days, 5.20 a 5.16%; short sight, 5.3% a 5.12%; Antwerp, 5.20 a 5.16%; Switzerland, 5.20 a 5.16%; Hamburg, 35% a 36%; Amsterdam, 40% a 41%; Frankfort, 40% a 41%; Bremen, 75% a 79; 40% a 41%; Frankfort, 40% a 41%; Bremen, 78% a 79;

Prussian thaiers, 71% a 72. 135% and closed at 135%. The market was active, and exhibited a good demand towards the close; 5, 6, 7 and 1-32 of one per cent were paid early in the day for carrying, later only 2 per cent, and in some borrower or lender. The character of the European news to-day and the course of gold show the extreme sensitiveness of our market. In the morning, under the pressure of the pacific despatches regarding the Eastern question, the market opened 1% off the closing price of Saturday night and continued for some time duil. In the afternoon, as on Saturday—a coincidence deserving of note by those interested—on the report that our bonds had declined in Europe the market became excited, and with large purchases the price har-dened. The transactions at the Gold Exchange Bank to-day comprised the following:—Gross clearances, \$91,464,000; gold balances, \$1,497,751; currency balances, \$2,410,448.

relief feit in a full understanding of the monetary situation induced a better feeling in governments closing rates of Saturday, weakened slightly under ed inquiry, but later, except in the case of the 6's and 5-20's of '62, advanced about 1/2 to 1/4, and closed firm. The following table will show a com-

Dec. 19.	Dec. 21.
U. S. 6's, reg., 1881 109 & 1091/2	109 a 109%
U. S. 6's, coup., 1881 114% a 114%	114% 8 114%
U. S. 5-20's, reg 105 % a 106	105% a 106
U. S. 5-20's, coup., '62. 110 % a 110%	110% a 110%
U. S. 5 20's, coup., '64, 106% a 106%	106% & 106%
U. S. 5-20's, coup., '65, 107% & 107%	107% a 107%
U. S. 5-20's, cp., nw, '65 109% a 109%	110 a 110%
U. S. 5-20's, cp., nw, '67 109% a 109%	110 & 110%
U. S. 5-20's, cp., nw, '68 110 a 110%	110% a 110%
U. S. 10-40's, reg 1023/ a 1023/	102% a 103
U. S. 10-40's, coupon 105 a 105%	105% a 105%

State bonds were quiet, without any feature of in-terest, to-day. The closing quotations at the regular board were:—Tennessee 6's, ex coupon, 68½ a 69; Tennessee 6's, new, 63 a 69; Virginia 6's, ex coupon, 55 a 56; do. do., new bonds, 57 a 57½; North Carolina 6's, 65 a 65½; do. do., new bonds, 62½ a 63; Mis-

The advance in New York Central induced a bnov The advance in New York Central induced a bnoyant feeling throughout the general stock list. This was especially noticeable in Pacific Mail, Rock Island and the Northwestern shares. The former is said to be the subject of another "movement," but its character, and the influence exerted in it, does not seem clearly understood. A report started in the morning, that a liberal dividend would be declared in February, coming during the first surprise of the announce-ment of one in Central, gained some currency, and the stock advanced during the day to 118% a 119. This was more likely, however; but the rebound, upon the removal of the "bear" pressure, which, with a story of a lawsuit in California, depreciated it last week, than the result of any faith in the dividend story. Rock Island also advanced four per cent. The following table exhibits a compariso dealt in to-day and their closing prices Sa

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Northwestern pref'd 80% a 80%	81% a 81%	B
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Erie throughout the day was weak and neglected. The following were the closing quotations of other stocks:—Cumberland, 36 a 39; Adams Express, 48% stocks:—Cumberland, 36 a 39; Adams Express, 48% a 50; United States Express, 45 a 46; Merchants' Union Express, 15% a 16%; Quicksliver, 20 a 22; Canton, 47% a 48%; Western Union Telegraph, ex div., 33% a 33%; Eric, 37% a 37%; Hudson River, 128% a 126%; Wabush, 56 a 56%; Milwadkee and St. Paul, 66 a 67%; do, preferred, 85% a 86; Ohio and Mississippl, 29% a 30; Michigan Southern, 67% a 67%; Illinois Central, 142%; Pittsburg, 84% a 84%; Toledo, 96% a 97.

Toledo, 98% a 97. SALES AT THE NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

Monday, Dec. 21-10:15 A. M.

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50 Boston Water P 14	

COMMERCIAL REPORT.

MONDAY, Dec. 21-6 P. M MONDAY, Dec. 21—6 P. M.
COTTON.—Receipts, 2,239 bales. The market was firm at
the opening, but heavy at the close, and the amount of business done was light. The sales were confined to 1,545 bales,
including 231 for spinning, 414 on speculation, 100 for export
and 300 in transit. For future delivery the sales were:—100
bales midding for January at 25½c., 100 do. low midding for
January or February at 25½c., 150 do. for February at 25½c.,
50 do. for March at 25½c., and 200 do. for March, part at
345c. We quote:—

and Florida, and Hemphis, and Texas.
Ordinary 23 23 23 4
Good ordinary 23% 24 24%
Low midding 24 24 25
Middling 25% 25% 25
Good midding 26 4 26 27
COFFES,-The market for Blo was qubt, but prices were
stendy. The sales were 1,000 bags, on P. C. Warwick, on pri-
vate terms. Other descriptions were dull and nominal.
FLOUR AND GRAIN, Receipts, 3,34 bots, flour, 4,:55 bags
hore ment 14,089 husbala corn, 49 do resent 1,100 do mait
The floor market was dull and heavy, and though holders
born meai, 14,982 bushels corn, 45 do. rywand 1,100 do. mait. The flour market was dull and heavy, and, though hoiders generally refused to grant any concession, some sales were
made at a reduction of luc. a Me.; all would have had to make
a corresponding reduction in order to sel to any extent. Call-
fornia flour was dult and nominal. The mies were 6,000 bbis.
Southern flour was dull and nominal at our quotations. Sales
325 bbis. Rye flour was slow of sale and ive. a loc lower, the
sales being 200 bbis. Corn meal was dull, but unchanged in
value. We quote:
No. 2 State
Superfine State 5 90 a 6 50
Extra State
Choice do 7 75 a 8 50
Buperline Western
Round hoop Ohio, shipping brands
St. Louis low extra 8 00 a 9 00
St. Louis straight extra 9 00 a 10 00
St. Louis choice double extra
St. Louis choice family
Southern choice and family
Southern superage and extra 8 25 a 11 00
California floor (sacks and bbls.) 7 00 a 12 00
Rya flour 6 40 a 8 25
Corn meal, city 5 15 a 6 65
Corn meal, Brandywine 5 75 a
Corn meal, Jersey 6 0) a 5 25
-Wheat was duli and decidedly lower. There was almost no demand for spring and sales to any considerable extent
demand for spring and sales to any considerable extent
could not have been made at any prict, though for one mad
of very choice No. 2 Milwaukee \$1 B was bid. The sales were about 25,000 bushels, at \$1 55 for ordinary No. 2 spring
were about 25,000 bushels, at \$1 30 for ordinary No. 3 spring
in store and affoat and \$2 15 for ambe Michigan, which was

by Janey 1,000 beakers Canada West were sold at \$2 in.
Fraction is continued quiet, but rates to all ports were
steady. The engagements were:—To Liverpool, per secamer,
15,0.0 bushels core at 8d., 800 bales hops at 3d., 1,0.0 do.
colton at 3d. a 3d., 100 tierces beel at 3d., 800 boxes bacen
at 4da. To Giasgow, per steamer, 7,500 bushels wheat at 8d.
We heard of no charters.
GUINNIER were dail. Bags were quoted at 17c. a 174c. and
cloth 185c. a 19c.
Hous were slow of sale, and prices were heavy at 18c. a 20c.
for prime and choice grades, 12c. a 18c. for fair to good do.
8c. a 10c. for to common and 18c. a 18c. for fair to good do.
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8c. a 10c. for to common and 18c. a 18c. for for fair
Mol. and 18c. a 18c. for solvers steady, at 85c. a
21 for shipping, and 21 of a pit 40 for retail lots. Rye straw
was quoted at ci 20 for long, and 31 a 51 08 for short.
MOLASSES.—We heard of no sales of any description, but
prices were sunchanged. prices were unchanged.

NAVAL SYOUERA.

1,800 do rosin. Receipts, 60 bbls. spirits turpentine, 1,800 do rosin. For the former the market was dull, but firm. at 45% a 48% for merchanishle and abipping lots. Sales 85 bbls. at the inside price. Rosin was dull, but prices were generally frm. Sales 80 bbls. No. 1 at 4 a 24 5. We quote:—Strained, 22 45 a 55 60; extra do, 25 50; No. 1, 23 a 42 5; pale, 34 60 a 35 50; extra do, 25 a 36. Wilmington tar was steady at OLIA.—Linseed was dull but steady at 25. \$2 50; No. 2, \$2 56 a \$2 75; No. 1, \$2 a 44 25; pale, \$4 50 a \$5 50; extra do., \$6 a \$5. Wilmington tar was sically at \$3 25 a \$2 54.

OHa.—Linseed was dull but steady at \$9c. a \$1 61 in casks and bbis. Other kinds remained quiet but steady.
Provistoosa.—Receipts, \$85 bbis, pork, \$20 do. beef, 1,121 packages cut meats, \$19 do. lard and 184 dressed hogs. The market for pork continued to rule dul, but prices remained firm. The sales were only about 750 bbis., at \$27 bb for new mess, \$25 a \$25 50 for old do. Prime and extra prime were quoted at \$20 a \$22 and prime mess at \$25 a \$20 for prime mess at \$25 a \$20 for bis, at \$17 a \$1 for plain mess and \$15 a \$25 for land in the prices current being \$9c. a \$9. c. Heef was steady, with a moderate demand, the sales being \$260 bbis. at \$17 a \$1 for plain mess and \$13 a \$15 for land to. Beef hams, though quiet, were firm. There were small sales at \$20 a \$25. Cut meats continued to the sales of the prices were unchanged; we heard of no sales of moment. We quote, 16c. a 16

SUGAR.—The demand for raw was more active, and a suddent business was consummated upon a basis of 11½c. a 11½c. for fair to good refining Cuba. The sales were \$30 hids at 11c. a 11½c. for Cuba and Demarara, part at 13½c. for clarified. Refined was quiet, and prices were a shade lower. We quote:—Hard, 15½c. a 15½c.; soft white, 14½c. at 15½c.; yallow, 15½c. at 15½c., and extra C do., 14½c. TALLOW was moderately active at former prices. Sales \$40,000 ibs. at 11c. at 15½c. with sales of moment, but prices were steady at former quotations.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 21, 1869.
The cotton market is firm and prices are higher; mid-dlings 25 kpc.; sales 7,250 bales; receipts since Saturday 7,525 bales.

7,923 bales.

MORILE, Ala., Dec. 21, 1868.

The sales of cotton to-day were 3,800 bales, including 1,000 bales sold after the market had closed on Saturday right. The market is quiet and firm; indidlings 33/cc.; receipts, 2,665 bales; exports, 1,665 bales.

MEMPHIS, Tenn., Dec. 21, 1868.

Ootton firm at 235/cc. a 26c.; receipts 2,465 bales; exports 2,785 bales. Superime flour \$7.90. Corn 65c. a 56c. Oats dull at 65c. a 67c. Aless pork dull at 85%. Lard dull at 185/cc. a 17c. Bacon nominal. Bulk meats quiet; shoulders 11/4c.; clear sides 15/3/c. Clear sides 15/5c.

AUGUSTA, Dec. 21, 1888.

The cotton market opened firm, but closed weak at 22c. for middling; sales 343 bales; receipts 1,190 bales.

Cotton quiet but steady; middlings 24c.; sales 1,100 bales. Cotton is firmer, but holders are restricted for want of stock.
Sales 5,000 bales; middlings 24c. a 2650, receipts 1,551 bales;
exports—coastwise, 41 bales.

ment may not be presented in some time, may tend to enhance the interest and achieve for the property in question fair and satisfactory prices. The chief attraction for to-day is, of course, the celebrated Morris estate, near Morrisania. The unsurpassable eligibility of this property and the superior facilities which it enjoys—located, as it is, within easy distance of the ousness centre of the cuty and in the immediate neighborhood of of all the grand improvements which have been inaquirated or are under consideration at the upperend of Manhattan Island and the nearer portions of Westchester county, have been frequently and fully explained and are generally well understood. Near this react the proposed Grand Trunk Railway, running from New York to the Pacific, is to have its eastern terminus. There is little or no rock to be excavated, and when it has been built upon, the Boulevard completed, the Grand Trunk Railway in operation and the proposed channes from the Hudson to the East river constructed the value of this property will be largely increased. Under the circumstances the sale to-day should be entirely successful, and there can be no doubt that Mr. Miller's work will be brisk and pleasant.

The remainder of the "Ogden Farm," near Newark, N. J., will be disposed of to-day by the Mesars. Bleecker, and this, with the above mentioned and several other sales that are announced, will open the real estate week in lively style.

lots each and were sold for about \$700 per plot. Most of the purchasers are those who intend to build on their possessions and thus enhance the value of the property and contribute to the growth of the village.

liage.
The following is the territorial extent in square lies of several cities in the Union:—New York city, ; Philadelphia. 1284; Buffalo, 37; Pittsburg, 24; pulsyille, 12 3-10; Chicago, 23%; Brooklyn, 26; Cinagat, 7. The estate of ex-Governor Wise, in Princess Anne ounty, Virginia, is to be turned over to him on anuary 1, 1866, by order of the United States govern-

ent. Sixty thousand acres of land on the Kansas Pacific aliway, in Missouri, have been sold within the last tree months. ree months.
Fransfers at Detroit during the past week repre-nt some eighteen parcels, valued in all at about

\$20,000.

The transfers recorded at Columbus, Ohio, on December 18 snow that some thirteen pieces of property changed hands, for about \$18,000.

Fifty transfers recorded in Kansas City for the week ending December 12 represent some \$85,000 worth of property.

A plantation of 1,480 acres in St. John's parish, Berkeley, near Charleston, S. C. sold recently for \$1,000.

Another plantation of 1,247 acres page Charleston. Another plantation of 1,247 acres near Charleston

Official Transfers of Real Estate Yesterday.
TRANSPERS IN NEW YORK CITY.
Plots Nos 99 and 105 Dyckman estate
Plots Nos. 54 and 141 Dyckman estate 5,700
10th st, n s, 44 % of Waverley place, 23x72.11
Both st, a s, 100 ft e of 9th av, 50x98.9
41st st, s s, 530 ft e of 1st av, 30x98.9
45th st, n s, 200 ft e of 5th av, 25x100.5
Piots Nos 99 and 105 Dyckman estate
87th st, n s, 416 ft w of 3d av, 16.5x100.8
109th st, n s, 323.9 ft e of 4th av, 18.9x100.11
113th st, s s, lots 187, 188, 2.6 and 2.7 Depayster estate 20,000
120th at a s, 191.8 ft e of av A, 16.8x100.11
183d st. s s. 175 ft e of 7th av. 25x19.11
135th st, n s, 75 ft e of 7th av, 25x90.11
lat av. n w corner 57th st. 21.72100
lat av, w s, 25.5 ft 8 of 51d st, 40x100
lat av. a a corner of 19st at, 40g100
134th at, n s. 125 ft a of let av (!rregular)
124th to 125th st, land under water to Buikhead line)
6th av, n w corner of litth at (irregular)20,000
Bedford St. No 22, 5 yrs, per yr
Bedford s. No.22, 6 yrs, per yr. Broadway, No.22,6 and 57 (part of basement),4 yrs, per
77
months, per yr
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Manor av, es, into 77, 55, block 4, Kingsland map, 50x100.

4th st, w s, 100 ft n of Hamilton st, 25x100.

BRAZII

River Navigation-The Obstacles to Be Overcome—A Reconnoissance by Enterprising Capitalists—The Falls of Paulo Affonso.

Rio JANEIRO, Oct. 26, 1868.

The steam navigation of the great water courses that traverse the immense plateau of interior Brazil has, within the last twelve months, become the object of various ject of various attempts at its realization, one of which is probably at this time being put into prac-tical operation. The subject has assumed more im-mediate importance since the virtual unsuccess of brazii in the raraguayan war has forced upon to rulers and upon various intelligent and far seeing of the ruled the desirability, nay, the absolute ne-cessity of having facile communications with the western region of Brazil, passing altoas the war has established the very unsatisfactory fact that the steam communication through the Paraná and Paraguay is completely at the mercy of the Argentines and Paraguayans, and even at that of the Bolivians, should these erect batteries command-ing the river channel, a contingency which might also occur in case of a war with Peru, in which this power, while invading Matto Grosso, might by its cruisers off the river Plate effectually cut off assistance to the west, since, in despatching a brigade of troops from Minas-Gernes and San Paulo overland to Matto Grosso it was only after five months' actual journeying, and after experiencing much privation and disease that the troops succeeded in reaching any part where their presence could avail in pro-tecting even its nigher parts from the Paraguayan

problem to any one unacquainted with the real diffi-culties intervening; for one sees five immense rivers one of which could bring the interior and west sufficiently near for practicable defence from the richer eastern provinces, if the navigation could be utilized and submitted to an organized steam regime. More indirectly available would be the San Francisco, which flows from Minas-Geraes and enters the ser upon the east in Brazilian territory. Unfortunately of all the rivers flowing from the great Brazilian Sales, so believes, believes, and all the rivers flowing from the great Brazilian states.

REAL ESTATE MATTERS.

To-day will be a busy one at the Exchange, and although the present condition of the market would not augur favorably for the result of the sales, yet the value of the property to be disposed of and the fact that a similar opportunity for profitable investment may not be presented in some time, may tend to enhance the interest and achieve for the property in question fair and satisfactory prices. The chief attraction for to-day list of course, can defend to enhance the interest and achieve for the property in question fair and satisfactory prices. The chief attraction for to-day list of course, can be superior facilities which it enjoys—located, as it is, within easy distance of the outsiness centre of the city and in the immediate neighborhood of of all the grand improvements which have been in-angurated or are under consideration at the upperend of Manhattan island and the nearer portions of Westchester county, have been frequently and null explained and are generally well understood. Near this eract for lock to be excavated, and when it has been built upon, the Boulevard completed, the Grand Trunk Railway, running from New full be largely increased. Under the circumstances the sale to-day should be entirely successful, and there can be no doubt that Mr. Miles' statement of the "Ogden Farm," near New ark, N. J., will be disposed of to-day by the Mesars. Biecker, and this, with the above mentioned and several other sales that are announced, will open the real estate week in lively style.

Real Estate Notes:

Among the recent sales of Now Jersey real estate the sale by Dr. Lounsbery of thirty-four plots on the line of the New Jersey Central Railroad, at Cranford, is reported. These plots average at a building lots each and were sold for about \$500 per plot.

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mining town, to the head of navigation of the Arguaya, where it might become the emporium of all that trade with the Amazon to which the navigability of the Arguaya lends itself. In the removal of the capital he was not successful, but the practical demonstration of the navigability of the river, given in his narrative, procured him, three years ago, the vice presidency of Park, with the intention of allowing him an opportunity of carrying out his plans of realizing its steam navigation. In pursuance of these he ordered two small steamers from England, one of which, although small, was of very great power, and was intended to ascend the rapids and carry on the navigation above as a tugboat of cargo barges, while the other would maintain the service below. The vessels came, but by the time the attempt to ascend the fails could be made the low stage was on, and it was consequently the most uniavorable time. This steamer, with Dr. Conto de Magalhaens and a numbro provide without much difficulty, but in the exploring and clearing of a side channel round the greatest difficulty much time was occupied, and finally, an office of the rapids through the upsetting of his boat white exploring, and as the crew and workmen were mostly disabled by agues and it was impossible to procure others, the attempt was abandoned until a more favorable time, when the rise of the river would make the channels fuller. The new attempt has, however, not yet been made, as Dr. Conto was, soon after the first attempt, releved of the presidential duties for reasons of state.

In 1866, however, he was sent to Matto Grosso to organize the provincial forces, and he utilized the Arguaya to the province of the ready of the province of the province of the ready of

tributary the Ivanheima, from whose head of navigation a road of no great extent would got to the head of navigation of the Taquary, a tributary of the Paraguay. The terrene for this line of communication is over very practicable ground. It would open up a large district of excellent government land, and it would not only greatly facultate the desonce of southwestern Brazil, but would enable an offensive war to be carried on acquired and the state of the upper San Francisco is also to be tried. In Bahna they have been trying for more than a year to drag or transport the spectrum of an Iron steamboat to a point miove the great rapids, said to be as grand as the Fails of Niagra. After lying in the much hair-way for more than six months another effort is making for the pay of \$37,000 to get them to their destination. As the original cost of the steamer, \$12,000, will be increased to \$80,000 or more before the vessel will be at work, it appears that it would have been better policy to have hired a western steamboat builder to have run up half a dozen river boats for the same money, and so have also more useful ones. For the navigation of the Rio Velhas, which flows through Minas-Geraes into the upper san Francisco, two small iron steam vessels have been brought from France, which, it is said, will draw only ten inches when laden, and which will be sont on in pieces. Thus this year should give firzait two great lines of miternal navigation—that of the Araguaya and that of the San Francisco—in practical operation, of when the real root requires is a road of some kind joining the river above the falls with the navigation of the San Francisco requires is a road of some kind joining the river above the sills with the navigation of the San Francisco—in practical operation, of when the real root requires is a road of some kind joining the river above the sills with the navigation of the San Francisco requires is a road of some kind joining the rocks are easy or removal, so that the unnavigable rapids and falls range over

LECTURES LAST NIGHT.

Dr. J. F. Boynton delivered the sixth and last of his series of lectures in the large hall of the Cooper Institute last evening, the closing subject being ,The Mastodon and Mammoth Period." The attendance, as at all the previous lectures, was large and appreciative. Referring briefly to the subject matter of his preceding lecture, he said that when we arrive at the tertiary formation we come to the period of warm-blooded animals. Among those have been found animals of the marsupial department of animated nature, like to the kangaroo. The animated nature, like to the kangaroo. The marsupial race have a second embryons state, the young remaining in the female pouch till they are capable of taking care of themselves, the other animate, shortly after they are born. He next came to the encoronethas species, with a beak like a duck. The lecturer here described the peculiarity of this bird and its connection, anatomically speaking, with birds and reptiles. The creatures first suckie like animals, then they become more stretched they are the demonstrated for a time but if they ever get freedom to go where they like the animal never returns. Referring to the orders of life at the present time he would now refer to his diagrams. There were animals which walked upright and others that walked horizontally. On the of animals, in which the orders of life were not nearly so numerous as in the preceding ages—the Devonian and others. The first figure presented on the chart was the turtle. These animals when they are hatched from the eggs are a perfect type of th older animals. Remains of turties have been found of such size that when they were in this life they must have weighed a ton. The next presented was an animal that can be tamed and made very an animal that can be tamed and made very iamiliar in the houses of the people. This was the horned lizard, a hideous looking, but a very harmless animal. The animal, not more than three or four inches in length, sits like a squirrel cracking nuts. The next animal presented was the parasite of the tertiary formation, a very

lect audience. He commenced by saying that a philosopher had divided human beings into two classes—benefactors and malefactors it would, perhaps, be a more comprehensive classification to divide them into laborers and loafers, for in whichever more or less undoing the work of the people who la-bored. The laborers brought us out of the woods. them forever. To the laborers we owed salvation; and professions the man who shirked his work was the great disorganizer. The right man in the right place—oh that we always had him! The wrong man in the wrong place was too often our exasperating experience. Charles the Fecond, a profligate and idler, was king of England, and the Dutch fleet safled up the Thames. The Duke de Richelleu commanded for the French King in Germany, and the general who displaced him wrote to be the first than the control of the French King in Germany, and the general who displaced him wrote to be the first than the first placed him wrote to Louis the Fifteenth:—"I have found your Majesty's army divided into three bodies; one above ground, which has become a parcel of thieves and vagabonds, all in rags; another under sinceyes and vegetable the properties. I demand your Majesty's instructions whether I will bring the first army or whether I will bring the first army or whether I will bring the first army or whether I shall wait until it has joined the other two?" Woe to to the nation which had its profligates in places of trust and power. The loafer was ever the curse of others. The causes of loafer han in mannature were reducible to imbecility of will and techieness of personality. Balzac, the great French romancer, had said:—"Waen I took my modest apariment in Paris I had numerous debts to discharge; and what I had to face them with were a ream of paper, a bundle of quills, a penkulie and a broile of my modest apariment in Paris I had numerous debts to discharge; and what I had to face them with were a ream of paper, a bundle of quills, a penkulie and a broile of my mannature of the person of the paper and large to overcome all difficulties and break fluing and obsidered of the analysis of the labor would enough and obsidered of the analysis of the labor would enable them to be loafers. Guizot, the great French states—"After my sudden downfall from power in French states—"After my sudden downfall from power fluids of the power to work gradupity grew into the habit of working, until the will becking stime in the habit of working, until the will becking stime in the habit of working, until the will becking stime in the habit of working, until the will becking stime in the habit of working, until the will becking stime in the habit of working, until the will becking stime in the work of a labor of the labor. Or all mations in the world the United States of the Linda States in the most hospital state in the state of the power to work and the labor of work and to the state of the power in the labor of the labor of t The lecturer concluded by advocating the west as the great field of labor, where all anxious to make their mark should he.

Rev. Stephen H. Tyng, Jr., will deliver the next lecture of the course.

OUR TIMES AND OLD TIMES.

Lecture by the Rev. Matthew Hale Smith. The Rev. Matthew Hale Smith delivered a lecture

last evening at the Fifty-t fird street Saptist church, for the benefit and support of the church and the relief of the poor. The audience was rather sline; but this fact did not seem to affect the reery harmiess animal. The animal, not more than three or four inches in length, site lies applied for four inches in length, site lies and was the parasite of the territory formation, a very amail animal, known as a louse, found on more fine and the state of the territory and the state of the territory and the state of the territory and the state of the state of the fine animal that attack and disease in the state of speaker any way unfavorably. The subject of the lecture was "Our Times and Old Times." Upon being introduced the reverend lecturer said:— We are told that three thousand years ago croakers nourished, and were loud in their praise of the past